Faculty Position Director of Clinical Education Department of Physician Assistant Studies University of South Alabama

The Pat Capps Covey College of Allied Health Professions at the University of South Alabama invites applications for a 12-month, non-tenure track, full-time faculty position in the Physician Assistant {PA} program at the rank of Assistant Professor of Instruction, effective May 1, 2025. The successful candidate's primary responsibility is to the clinical cohort, though certain duties to the didactic class will be required as well. Both PA and physician candidates will be considered. PA candidates must be a certified Physician Assistant (PA-C) with current NCCPA certification and current license or eligibility as a physician assistant in the State of Alabama. A master's degree from an ARC-PA accredited program is required; a minimum of 3 years clinical experience is preferred. Physician candidates must be state licensed (or license eligible) as an allopathic or osteopathic physician. This position is integral in the development of the Physician Assistant Program and accreditation. The successful candidate will coordinate the academic and professional progress of second year (clinical) PA students, provide oversight of the clinical curriculum.

Specific responsibilities for the Faculty Position also include the following:

- Develop and deliver, evidence-based lectures and workshops for Physician Assistant students using a variety of pedagogical strategies.
- Create and implement a dynamic, student-centered curriculum that promotes critical thinking, clinical skills, and patient care competencies in accordance with ARC-PA standards.
- Assess student performance through regular evaluations, quizzes, exams, and clinical competency assessments including delivering end of rotation examinations.
- Provide individualized feedback and support to students, fostering their professional growth and success.
- Participate in departmental, school-wide, and university committees to support program development and academic initiatives.
- Contribute to the continuous improvement of the Physician Assistant program through regular reviews of curriculum, policies, and practices.
- Engage in professional development and attend relevant conferences, workshops, and training to stay up-to-date with advancements in PA education and clinical practice.
- Serve as a faculty advisor for students, assisting with academic and career planning, and providing guidance for personal and professional growth. Foster relationships with healthcare institutions, clinical sites, and other stakeholders to enhance clinical rotation opportunities and promote the program.

- Participate in outreach activities to promote the PA profession and the academic program to prospective students, healthcare professionals, and the community.
- Maintain records as required by the program and assist with the self-study process for accreditation
- Instruct didactic courses in areas of need and areas of clinical expertise
- Participate in the program's admissions process
- Other duties as assigned

Review of applications will begin immediately with an anticipated start date of May 1, 2025. The applications package includes: letter of interest, curriculum vitae, statement of teaching philosophy, research interests, and three letters of reference on official letterhead with original signatures to be sent directly to the chair of the search committee.

The University of South Alabama is located in Mobile near the Mobile Bay Estuary and the Alabama Gulf Coast with its beautiful white-sand beaches. USA is a public, doctoral-level institution enrolling more than 14,000 students in nine colleges and schools. Founded in 1963, the university seeks to establish itself as a premier academic institution in the southeastern United States. With its Colleges of Medicine, Nursing, and Allied Health Professions and two teaching hospitals, it also serves as a health services center for the region. Mobile is the center of a growing, two-county, metropolitan area (~600,000 residents) with a diverse economy.

For more information about the Department of Physician Assistant Studies at the University of South Alabama, please visit the website: http://www.southalabama.edu/colleges/alliedhealth/pa/

Review of applications will begin immediately and continue until the position is filled. Each applicant should submit a cover letter of interest, curriculum vitae, the names of three references, and a statement of teaching philosophy and research interests. Applications and inquiries are directed to:

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